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The New Railroad.

It will be seen by notices in another column that meetings of the subscribers to the stock in the Montpelier and St. Johnsbury Railroad, and in the Essex county Railroad, for the election of directors, are to be held at the St. Johnsbury House, Tuesday, Feb. 12.

The construction of these roads, and of contemplated roads through northern New Hampshire and Maine to Portland, is not only of the highest importance to persons living along the line, but largely involves the commercial interests of the country. It opens a much shorter and more direct line of communication between Ogdensburg, the eastern port of the great lakes of the West, and the tide waters of the Atlantic, than now exists. It brings the grain growers of the great west near to the consumers in the east, and affects the interests of both beneficially. Western products—grain and flour—which would naturally pass over this great line of roads to the negro or anybody else belongs exclusively to the states, all of which have the right of representation in Congress.

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Gov. Swain (dem.) has been elected U. S. Senator for Maryland, to succeed Creswell (repub.). It is doubtful whether he can hold the seat, the legality of the election of the legislature being questioned.

The Franconia Murder.

We saw a statement last week that Sam'l Mills, the Franconia murderer, had been arrested in Illinois. We feared it was a mere rumor, but subsequent advices seem to indicate that this inhuman wretch has really been caught. The Boston Journal says that Governor Smith of New Hampshire issued a requisition Wednesday upon the Governor of Illinois for the delivering up of Mills, the Franconia murderer, now supposed to be in jail in Galena. It seems he was captured by the sheriff of that county, and identified from descriptions forwarded by a Boston detective. The officers in the vicinity of the murder had spent all their exertions in pursuit of the criminal without success, when a professional detective was employed. Mills was arrested while working in the lead mines at Galena.

New Hampshire Politics.

The New Hampshire state democratic convention was held at Concord, Wednesday evening. Edmund Burke of Newport was chosen president and two vice-presidents from each county completed the organization. John G. Sinclair of Bethlehem was renominated for governor by acclamation. George H. Pierce of Dover was renominated for railroad commissioner. Ex-president Pierce was unable to attend the convention in person, but the leaders and chief fulgures were in close consultation with him at his residence. The resolutions adopted approve the holding of a national Union convention at New York, and declare that the right of extending suffrage to the negro or anybody else belongs exclusively to the states, all of which have the right of representation in Congress.

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Humbugs.

We are a curious people, and fond of being humbugged. Americans, in that particular, are similar to a certain species of quadruped. Let a dozen be in the same pen, and if not swill be given them, all must get their noses burnt before they discover the presence of eatables. So with us. Despite the oft-repeated warnings of the press, and those who know, each must try his hand: for he is not just a little sharper than his neighbor? and can he not see through all this necromancy? Alas! human views are deeply deceptive; and many mourn over the credulity which parted them and their money. Circulars of lotteries, gift enterprises, wonderful methods of making money, are thrown broadcast throughout the length and breadth of the land, to catch the poor gourds who are ready to bite.

An honest farmer receives a letter from the city telling him his ticket has drawn a prize valued at \$200, and that by sending five or ten dollars they will forward this wonderful sum. He thinks it strange how his name is known in a distant city, and he forwards his money never to see it again. We hear of men drawing an opera house, ten thousand dollars, and the like. But 'tis a humbug. Read the rascality in the sale of the Crosby Opera House in Chicago, and judge for yourselves. If you receive a circular from a truly generous firm, who will give you anything for a dollar—yes, even a wife, if you are in need of one—set the whole thing down as a lie the meanest of the mean. Patronize local doctors, concerts, enterprises, and let foreign quacks, midgets and *fauces* alone.

SLEIGH FOR SALE.

A good second-hand single-sleigh for sale. Inquire at the Caledonian office.

MONTPELIER & ST. JOHNSBURY RAILROAD COMPANY.

No notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders will be held at St. Johnsbury House, in St. Johnsbury, on TUESDAY, the 1st day of February next, at 10 o'clock A.M., for the purpose of electing a board of directors, agreeably to the provisions of the charter.

For order, H. E. FAIRBANKS,

Chairman of Board of Commissioners,

St. Johnsbury, Jan. 30, 1867.

I LIST OF LETTERS remaining in the post office at St. Johnsbury, Feb. 1, 1867.

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